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REMARKS

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1. At 3 a.m. on 16 September 1952, 15 model M-13 rocket launchers and 40 trucks including [redacted] which [redacted] believed came from the Stalags, were seen south of Stalags I and II west of Luckenwalde (N 53/2 90). No rocket launchers were seen in the Stalags during the period of observation. * During the period from 8 to 19 September, Stalag I was occupied by various signal repair sections. Five repair shop trucks and three open trucks were noticed between the low buildings in the billeting area. About 20 soldiers were seen with these vehicles. **

2. During the period from 8 to 13 September, the former Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik on Industriestrasse was occupied by a training unit whose personnel wore red-bordered black epaulets. An obstacle course near the entrance of the installation was being improved. Women including some wearing uniforms were seen between the quarters on Schieferling and the Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik. On 13 September, 40 soldiers with close-cropped hair wearing red-bordered black epaulets were marched from the installation to the swimming pool. Sedan [redacted] was parked on Schieferling.***

* [redacted] Comment. [redacted] had observed on 28 August that Stalag I was evacuated and reoccupied by a unit from the former Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik in Luckenwalde. [redacted]

[redacted] meanwhile had observed rocket launchers of the 91st Gds RL Regt in Stalags I and II. It is believed that the present report confirms the transfer of this regiment.

** [redacted] Comment. Probably the signal repair shop of the GOWG which, in mid-June, was transferred from Rathenow to Luckenwalde.

*** [redacted] Comment. It is believed that a training unit assigned directly to the Third Gds Mecz Army was transferred to the former Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik, which had been evacuated by the 91st Gds RL Regt, and to the houses on Schieferling which, in late July, were evacuated by German civilians.

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